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RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the communication of July 5, 2005, Applicants submit the attached remarks. Although it is not entirely clear, Applicant believes that the Examiner is requesting remarks about why new claim 182 should be considered patentable over the applied references. This paper is believed to be fully responsive, but if the July 5 communication has been misunderstood, clarification is respectfully requested.